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## Five New Hampshire Hotels and Resorts Honored in Condé Nast Readers' Choice Awards

Annual awards recognize the world's best travel destinations, accommodations, fine dining and ski resorts

Concord, N.H. - (October 21, 2019) – Five New Hampshire hotels and resorts have been ranked among the best in New England in the prestigious 2019 Condé Nast Readers' Choice Awards, one of the industry's highest honors. The Wentworth by the Sea in New Castle and the Omni Mount Washington in Bretton Woods made the list of "Top 25 Resorts in New England," while the Pickering House in Wolfeboro, The Glen House in Gorham and The Hotel Portsmouth were included among the "Top 30 Hotels in New England." The annual awards recognize the world's best travel destinations, accommodations, fine dining, ski resorts, and more.

"We are pleased to see these remarkable New Hampshire hotels and resorts featured prominently in the 2019 Condé Nast Readers' Choice Awards. From our wild Great North Woods and White Mountains to our beautiful Lakes Region and Seacoast, these recognitions are truly a testament to the Granite State's tremendous statewide lodging options and destinations," said Taylor Caswell, commissioner, New Hampshire Department of Business and Economic Affairs. "I would like to congratulate the hotels and resorts recognized this year and I would also like to say

thank you to these establishments for doing their parts to make New Hampshire the northeast's premier travel destination."

Condé Nast readers voted the Wentworth by the Sea seventh and the Omni Mount Washington 16<sup>th</sup> on the list of Top 25 Resorts in New England. Condé Nast readers voted the Pickering House 17<sup>th</sup>, The Glen House 26<sup>th</sup> and The Hotel Portsmouth 28<sup>th</sup> on the list of Top 30 Hotels in New England. More than 600,000 total votes were cast in the 2019 Condé Nast Readers' Choice Awards.

Voters had the chance to rate their favorite destinations in 13 categories. Along with the cities of Manchester and Concord, which were included in the "Cities" category, 21 New Hampshire hotels and resorts were nominated to be included on the ballot for the 2019 Condé Nast Readers' Choice Awards.

Respondents were asked to rate airlines, airports, cities, counties, cruise ships, destination spas, homestays and villa rentals, hotels and resorts, islands, restaurants, bars and beach clubs, tour operators, trains and ski resorts on a number of characteristics, including service, location, nightlife, shopping, culture and food.

Stay connected with New Hampshire tourism on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Pinterest</u> and <u>YouTube</u>, and be sure to follow hashtags and tags: #RCA, #RCA2019, #CondeNastTraveler, #IamATraveler to see the winners.

## ABOUT THE DIVISION OF TRAVEL AND TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

The Division of Travel and Tourism Development, as part of the New Hampshire Department of Business and Economic Affairs, works with the state's seven travel regions to increase visitation, travel and visitor expenditures in order to expand business activity and employment throughout the state. The division is responsible for domestic and international advertising and public relations, literature publication and distribution, <a href="www.visitnh.gov">www.visitnh.gov</a> administration, grant administration and research to monitor and measure the impact of travel and tourism to the state. For more information about New Hampshire tourism, call 603-271-2665 or visit <a href="www.visitnh.gov">www.visitnh.gov</a>.

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